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Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

Biographical information on a fifth new candidate to the Board of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development, Graça Simbine Machel, is contained in the annex to the present note.

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Annex

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION ON GRAÇA SIMBINE MACHEL (MOZAMBIQUE)

Graça Machel is currently President of the Foundation for Community Development in Maputo.

EDUCATION: B.A. (German Philology), University of Lisbon

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND EXPERIENCE:

Member of the Board, South Centre, 1996-present.
Expert of the Secretary-General of the United Nations on the Impact of Armed Conflict on Children, 1994-1996.
Member of the Board, United Nations University, 1995-present.
Vice-Chairperson, International Crisis Group, 1994-present.
President and Chairperson of the Board, Foundation for Community Development, 1994-present.
Member, Board of Trustees, ACCORD, 1994.
Member of the Board, Forum of African Women Educationalists, 1994.
Member, Standing Committee of the Assembly of the Republic (Parliament), 1990-1994.
Minister of Education, 1983-1989.
President, Organization of Mozambican Children, 1981-present
President, National Commission of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) in Mozambique, 1980-present.
Minister of Education and Culture, 1975-1983.
Recipient of honorary degrees from the Instituto Superior Pedagogico (Maputo, 1993) and the University of Western Cape (South Africa, 1992). Recipient of the 1995 Nansen Medal for work on behalf of refugee children and the 1992 African Prize for Leadership for the Sustainable End of Hunger.
Lectures given at a number of academic institutions in North America, including the Universities of Illinois, Michigan, California (Berkeley and Los Angeles), and Spellman College, and the Universities of Ottawa, Montreal, Toronto, Victoria and Alberta.